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FINANCE MINISTER LEAVES FOR USSR 5 DEC

LD051840 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 5 Dec 82

[Text] Finance Minister Abdol Wakil left today for an official and friendly visit to the Soviet Union at the invitation of the Soviet finance minister. He was seen off at Kabul International Airport by Raz Mohammad Paktin, minister of water and power; deputy ministers of the Finance Ministry and a representative of the Protocol Department of the Foreign Affairs Ministry. During this visit, the finance minister will hold talks on the expansion of financial and economic cooperation between the countries.

MINISTER DISCUSSES SETTLEMENT PROSPECT

PM021003 Paris L'HUMANITE in French 1 Dec 82 p 7

[Yves Housson report]

[Excerpt] The Democratic Republic of Afghanistan is in favor of a "political settlement without preconditions." At a press conference in Paris yesterday, Afghan Education Minister Fakir Yaqubi reaffirmed, in terms devoid of ambiguity, his government's desire to succeed in restoring a normal situation in his country and in the region.

With that in mind, Fakir Yaqubi recalled, "we have made sound, constructive and realistic proposals several times (in May 1980 and August 1981). We are proposing bilateral or trilateral negotiations with Pakistan and Iran, which could take place under UN auspices." "We are ready," the minister added, "to start preliminary talks."

However, the path to that settlement is not easy. Initial contacts were made in Geneva last June between Afghan, Pakistani and Iranian representatives, under the aegis of the United Nations. "That is a first step, but a great deal still needs to be done," according to Fakir Yaqubi, who appealed for "good will from our neighbors."

In any case, the Kabul authorities believe a solution would emerge more quickly if the counterrevolutionaries ended their activities that they are able to conduct, the education minister stated, from "85 training camps on our borders," and with U.S. imperialism's support. However, after being "dispersed," the counterrevolution is now indulging in "acts of terror." Witness the bomb attack last Wednesday on a building in the capital which destroyed 37 stalls and caused injuries.

As for Soviet troops, Fakir Yaqubi once again explained that their presence would no longer be justified once the reasons for it had disappeared: "guarantee of independence, and of territorial integrity, and an end to the interference in internal Afghan affairs," which had motivated the appeal to the USSR at the end of 1979. He also rejected, as the Soviets themselves had done, the Americans' allegation that chemical weapons are being used by the Red Army.

GAZETTE PUBLISHES DECREE ON BORDER MILITIA

LD280558 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 27 Nov 82

[Text] Provision relating to border militia units of the DRA Defense Ministry and supplement No 4, Decree No 3 of the DRA Revolutionary Council, were published in Issue 12 of March 1982-83 of the official gazette and have thus come into force.

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100 DIE DURING 'HEAVY SHELLING OF VILLAGES'

BK071722 Hong Kong AFP in English 1707 GMT 7 Dec 82

[Text] Islamabad, Dec 7 (AFP) -- At least 100 civilians died during heavy shelling of villages surrounding Kabul by Soviet-Afghan forces in the past two weeks, according to Western diplomatic sources and information from resistance fighters.

More than 50 were killed during a raid on three villages north of the capital on November 22, which was among several raids carried out by MiG fighter jets and Soviet helicopters. Later the same day troops smashed down doors and ransacked houses, taking radios, jewelry and all objects of value.

The sources said the raids followed the same pattern of shelling heralding the arrival of convoys of armoured cars and troops, and were intended to spread confusion among the rebel bases and recruit any available able-bodied men.

Villagers whose homes had been destroyed were being forced to seek shelter in Kabul or flee to Pakistan. This continual exodus was seen here as weakening the mujahideen resistance, which relies on the local population for food.

Other similar raids were reported in the Paghman region, west of Kabul, and around Jalalabad to the east, where resistance, according to Pakistan-based resistance circles, is strong. The mujahideen fear that if these lightning raids continue all winter, they will be forced to restrict their activities to the capital.

But in the Kandahar region they carried out two spectacular attacks on military convoys last month, according to diplomatic sources. In one ambush on the road to Herat, 20 kms (12 miles) west of Kandahar, a column of 30 armoured cars was destroyed.

In Kandahar, the southern capital, the mujahideen have been stepping up their guerrilla operations against military posts inside the city. Only a year since the Soviet raided raided rebel strongholds in the heart of the city, the resistance fighters seem to have regrouped and are putting government troops on the defensive.

There is fighting every night and the rebels captured a "substantial" number of Afghan officers during November, said diplomatic sources.

Meanwhile in Kabul bomb attacks have been steadily increasing over the past month, with several explosions last week, said the diplomatic sources.

Breaking their costomary silence, the Afghan authorities have given maximum publicity to some of the explosions which claimed lives, and to the arrest and execution of those responsible, described variously as anti-social elements and counter-revolutionaries.

105 CIVILIANS 'BURNED TO DEATH' IN MID-SEPTEMBER

BK071507 Hong Kong AFP in English 1449 GMT 7 Dec 82

[Text] Islamabad, Dec. 7 (AFP) -- Soviet authorities burned to death 105 Afghan civilians including old people and children hiding in an underground irrigation canal in mid-September, a three-man commission of the Russell Tribunal has concluded.

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EDITORIAL ON ERSHAD'S RECENT PRC VISIT

BK091158 Dhaka THE BANGLADESH OBSERVER in English 6 Dec 82 p 5

[Editorial: "Bilateral Relations"]

[Text] Chief Martial Law Administrator [CMLA] Lt General H.M. Ershad returned home Saturday completing his 6-day official visit to China.

The CMLA described his visit as "successful and satisfactory." The frank and fruitful talks he had with top-ranking Chinese leaders included nearly all bilateral, regional and global issues of interest to Bangladesh and China, and the unanimity of views characterising the exchanges marked not only the background of traditional friendship and mutual understanding between the two countries but also pointed to the way such ties would develop in the days to come.

Commenting on such prospects, General Ershad observed that he and his country had full "trust in China" and that the latter had assured all possible help to Bangladesh "in times of need." In fact over the past years a viable base of cooperation and friendly relations has been built up between the two countries through reciprocity and understanding in diplomatic and other areas.

The CMLA's 6-day visit, devoted to meaningful exchanges and discussion of problems, both internal and external, has gone far to strengthen that base and opened new vistas of more expansive cooperation and bilateral action in economic and other fields.

The pragmatic aspect of the exchanges is reflected in such agreements as relate to the formation of a joint economic commission and the soft-term loan ($12.5 million) promised by China to Bangladesh. It need hardly be said that China, one of Bangladesh's neighbours in this region and one of the most technologically advanced countries of the same, is in a position to help, both by cooperation and example, the on-going development process of Bangladesh. And the restrengthened relations between the two countries augur remarkably well for all time to come. In the economic field particularly, the scope and opportunity is immense for joint ventures and exploration and exploitation of the hitherto untapped and ill-used resources of the country. Chinese expertise and cooperation, once made available for such purposes, particularly along technological lines, are expected to be one of the most important contributions to the economy of Bangladesh.

In such contexts General Ershad disarmed possible fears of any unfavourable impact on his country's relations with her other neighbours, nor, as he visualised, could these developments in China-Bangladesh relations stand in the way of friendly relations with India, nor prejudice a just and amicable settlement of outstanding issues, including Farakka, with the latter. These assurances were given by him in the course of his answers to questions from newsmen on his arrival at the Zia International Airport.

The CMLA also referred to Bangladesh's diplomatic stance in regard to such problems as Middle East, Afghanistan and Kampuchea. The Kampuchea issue received special mention as Bangladesh accorded recognition to the Democratic Government of Kampuchea and decided to establish diplomatic relations with it. This was done, as he explained, in accordance with the principles on which Bangladesh's foreign policy is based.

To symbolise the growing process of relations between the two friendly countries a viable symbol has been proposed by the CMLA, namely, a "monument of friendship"; which is obviously designed to emphasise the dimensions of increasing bilateral friendship between Bangladesh and China and the latter's assurances of continuing support and assitance to Bangladesh and its socioeconomic development.

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FINANCE MINISTER RETURNS FROM MOSCOW TALKS

LD100524 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 9 Dec 82

[Text] Finance Minister Abdol Wakil today returned to Kabul from Moscow. The finance minister had gone to Moscow at the invitation of the USSR minister of finance for a friendly and official visit and for talks about the extension of financial and economic cooperation between the DRA and USSR.

GROUP REPORTS ON SOVIET USE OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS

NC091711 Paris AFP in English 1700 GMT 9 Dec 82

[Text] Paris, Dec 9 (AFP) -- An investigating team returning from Afghanistan said today it appeared as though Soviet forces had used chemical weapons there, but warned it was difficult to obtain sure proof.

Sent by the Peoples Permanent Tribunal, a continuation of the Russell Tribunal on Vietnam and South America, the investigators said signs "tended" to confirm the use of chemical warfare, but emphasized the difficulty in obtaining evidence.

The tribunal is scheduled to hold its second session here from December 16 to 20. During its first session in Stockholm in May of 1981, the tribunal qualified Soviet intervention in Afghanistan as an aggression.

During a press conference today, members of the tribunal's investigating team spoke of mass evacuation of Afghan villages following bombing by Soviet aircraft.

They also cited eyewitness accounts of an incident last September in which a hundred villagers were said to have been burned alive in an irrigation ditch by Soviet soldiers. The witnesses, interviewed by the commission during a secret visit to Afghanistan from November 26 to December 4, said the 105 civilians had been discovered hiding in the underground irrigation canal near Padkhwab-e-Shana village, 60 kms (36 miles) south of Kabul, by Soviet soldiers on September 13. The Russians reportedly dammed up one end of the canal, causing the water to rise, then injected an inflammable substance. An enormous explosion ensued, which burned everyone inside to death, the commission reported. Commission members Michael Barry, Ricardo Flaile and Michel Baret visited clandestinely the site of the reported massacre on the night of December 3 and found the canal wall blackened, apparently by an inflammable substance.

(In Peshawar, Pakistan, resistance sources said a young rebel leader was killed Tuesday during an attack on a government outpost in the eastern province of Nangarhar.)

KARMAL ON HUMAN RIGHTS DECLARATION ANNIVERSARY

LD101050 Kabul BAKHTAR in English 0432 GMT 10 Dec 82

[Text] Kabul, Dec. 9, BAKHTAR -- Following is a message by Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the PDPA CC and president of the Revolutionary Council of the DRA, on the occasion of marking 34th anniversary of the universal declaration of human rights:

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LD121820 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 12 Dec 82

[Text] The 10th broad plenum of the PDPA Central Committee on further strengthening and developing the PDPA was held this morning at 0930 at the Delkosha Palace of the Revolutionary Council headquarters.

Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the PDPA Central Committee and president of the DRA Revolutionary Council, was warmly greeted with continuous applause by the participants in the plenum on his arrival at the meeting hall. The agenda of the plenum was put to a vote and unanimously approved. Nur Ahmad Nur, member of the Politburo and secretary of the PDPA Central Committee, then chaired the session and asked Babrak Karmal to deliver the basic statement on further strengthening and developing the PDPA. Babrak Karmal later read out the basic statement of the plenum, which was greeted with fervent applause by the plenum participants.

In the second part of the work of the plenum, which was chaired by Saleh Mohammad Ziray, member of the Politburo and secretary of the PDPA Central Committee, Zohur Razmjo, member of the PDPA Central Committee and secretary of Kabul City party committee; Shazar Lewal, member of the PDPA Central Committee and head of the southern zone; Mohammad Yasin Sadeqi, member of the Party Central Committee and head of army political affairs; Najmoddin Khawiani, member of the PDPA Central Committee and head of the PDPA Central Committee Organization Department; Sher Jan Mazduryap, member of the party Central Committee and minister of transport; Borhan Ghiasi, member of the party Central Committee and first secretary of the DYOA, and the secretaries of the party provincial committees of Badakhshan and Herat Provinces delivered their speeches in connection with the basic statement and resolutely confirmed the basic statement.

At the end of speeches on the basic statement, the resolution of the 10th PDPA Central Committee Plenum was voted on and unanimously approved.

During the work of the 10th plenum, Major General 'Abdol Qader, member of the PDPA Central Committee and minister of national defense, and Zohur Razmjo, member of the PDPA Central Committee and secretary of Kabul City party Committee Politburo and Bridgadier General Mohammad Yasin Sadeqi, member of the PDPA Central Committee and head of the army political affairs, and Mir Sahib Karwal, member of the party Central Committee and head of the central zone, were elected as members of the PDPA Central Committee Secretariat.

At the end of the work of the plenum, Babrak Karmal delivered a speech and evaluated the role of the resolution of the 10th plenum as positive and important for further strengthening and developing the PDPA.

In the work of the 10th PDPA Central Committee Plenum, the following were invited: heads and deputies of the party Central Committee departments, a number of members of the Council of Ministers, heads of zones, secretaries of the party provincial committees, personnel of the Organization Department of the party Central Committee, secretaries of Kabul City party wards, heads of the DYOA and DWOA organization departments, heads of the organization departments of the trade unions, peasant cooperatives, the NFF, sarandoy, army, the State Information Services and Kabul City party committee and the head and deputy of the PDPA Central Committee Social Science Institute.

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LD141638 Kabul in Dari to Europe 1530 GMT 14 Dec 82

[Text] Kapisa Province security forces yesterday crushed a group of counterrevolutionary elements who were disrupting the peace and security of the people of (Ghazi Deh) village in the center of that province, along with their ringleader. The security forces also captured 13 of them with their weapons and handgrenades.

MUJAHIDIN ATTACK 3 MILITARY POSTS 23 NOV

LD102008 Riyadh SPA in English 1351 GMT 10 Dec 82

[Text] Islamabad, Dec 10 (SPA) -- Twentyone Afghan soldiers were killed when the mujahidin wiped out three communist government military posts in central Afghanistan on November 23, the London-based Agency Afghan Press (AAP) reported here today.

The agency said the mujahidin launched simultaneous attacks on three military posts along Kabul-Qandahar highway located at Kabani, Gandakhel and Achujan. [placenames as received] It added that the mujahidin made effective use of their rocket launchers and destroyed two tanks by land mines.

The agency said the crew of a military truck was killed on November 17 when the mujahidin attacked a large military convoy coming from the Soviet Union at Herat-Towraghondi road in southwestern Afghanistan. It added five lit-tankers [as received] and two tanks were also destroyed during the mujahidin's attack.

The agency said a "grave situation" had developed in and around the historical Ghazni City in central Afghanistan and that the Soviets were intermittently bombing mujahidin hideouts in the area using MiG's and helicopter gunships. It added that despite bombing the Soviets had till early December failed to dislodge the mujahidin and stop their operations on the outer fringe of Ghazni.

BRIEFS

AGREEMENT WITH GDR -- Kabul, Nov. 30, BAKHTAR -- The DRA-GDR joint commission on economic and technical cooperation held in Berlin signed an agreement of the exchange of goods in barter basis amounting to about [figure indistinct] million dollars between the two countries. The German Democratic Republic will assist the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan in a number of projects such as the network of Kabul electricity and equipping Radio Afghanistan studios. Protocols of cooperation in these areas also have been signed between the two sides, said the deputy commerce minister of the DRA who headed the Afghan delegation at the DRA-GDR joint commission in Berlin. The DRA delegation returned home today. [Text] [Kabul BAKHTAR in English 0417 GMT 1 Dec 82 LD]

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BK151527 Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 1500 GMT 15 Dec 82

[Text] Two top officials of the secret police of the Karmal administration in Afghanistan, who have left their country and come to Pakistan, have revealed a few facts about the internal situation in Afghanistan and developments there. One of the two officers, Lieutenant General Ghulan Siddiq, said in an interview that some time back the Soviet Union formulated a plan to split up Afghanistan or merge it into the Soviet Union. He said the Soviet-installed Karmal administration considered the plan for quite some time, but the plan was abandoned due to opposition from the anti-Karmal faction in the party.

RAFI', OTHERS DEPART FOR MOSCOW 15 DECEMBER

LD151804 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 15 Dec 82

[Text] General Mohammad Rafi', member of the PDPA Central Committee Politburo and vice chairman of the DRA Council of Ministers; Habib Mangal, DRA ambassador in the USSR; and General Nazar Mohammad, commander of air and air defense force, who had come to Kabul to attend the work of the 10th Plenum of the PDPA Central Committee, today left for Moscow on official business.

At Kabul airport, they were seen off by 'Abdolmajid Sarboland, vice chairman of the Council of Ministers; the minister of transportation; Brigadier General Khalilullah, the deputy defense minister; the deputy minister of foreign affairs and a number of party officials.

KARMAL ATTENDS SOVIET ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION

LD160638 Kabul BAKHTAR in English 0434 GMT 16 Dec 82

[Text] Kabul, Dec 15, BAKHTAR -- Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the PDPA CC, president of the Revolutionary Council of the DRA, attended this evening a grand reception held in the Soviet Embassy to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the establishment of the USSR.

The reception was given in Fikryat Ahmad Janovich Tabeyev, ambassador of the Soviet Union at Kabul. Soltan 'Ali Keshtmand, member of the Politburo of PDPA and chairman of the Council of Ministers of the DRA, members of the Politburo and Secretariat of the PDPA CC, members of the PDPA Central Committee, some members of the Revolutionary Council and the Council of Ministers, high ranking state and party cadres and ambassadors of friendly countries in Kabul had also participated.

'COUNTERREVOLUTIONARIES CRUSHED' IN BAMIAN

LD151812 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 15 Dec 82

[Text] A group of counterrevolutionaries recently was crushed in (Perchuna) and Mahmay villages near the capital of Bamian Province by the security forces of this province. A number of weapons and some ammunition were seized by the security forces.

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GUERRILLA POSITIONS IN PAKTIA 'HEAVILY BOMBED'

BK170045 Hong Kong AFP in English 0030 GMT 17 Dec 82

[Text] Islamabad, Dec. 17 (AFP) -- Soviet war planes heavily bombed anti-communist guerrilla concentrations in eastern Paktia Province last Tuesday, killing at least 12 mujahedeen and wounding 14 other Moslem fighters, the rebel-run Afghan Islamic Press (AIP) reported yesterday.

The massive bombing raids followed reports from Western correspondents who secretly visited parts of Paktia Province last month that Afghan rebels were preparing for an offensive against Dargai District, near Khost. The guerrillas had captured Lieza, 15 km (9 miles) southwest of the provincial capital Khost, they said after the clandestine visit.

The Soviet bombing raids set afire seven mujahedeen tents, so that ammunition burned and some explosions occurred, causing unusually high rebel losses, AIP added. The agency said the casualties included the guerrilla group leader, who was a member of the Peshawar-based resistance organisation Hezb-e Islami Afghanistan, headed by Mohammad Yubis Khalis.

The leader, Mohammed Anwar, is the third commander Hezb-e Eslami has lost within one month. Khalis group men, who are reportedly active in Nangarhar Province, also suffered severe losses last month when the Soviet troops pounded their main centers, Tura Bura and Khogiani, in that province. The agency said the area's chief commander, Fatehulla Haqqani, "miraculously escaped" the raids.

The agency said the same day, Moslem rebels attacked a 30-vehicle convoy carrying ammunition to Bari military post, near Khost. The guerrillas killed or wounded five soldiers and destroyed two tanks and one military truck in that ambush, it said.

Meanwhile in Kabul, Jaji tribesmen staged a protest strike last Monday, suspending transport and closing down shops to protest against the regime's new conscription laws, AIP said. About 200 shopkeepers suspended business in Shoba Bazaar, Kalachi and Jada Maiwand in downtown Kabul, demanding repeal of the new draft laws, which withdrew concessions enjoyed by the Jaji tribesmen belonging to Paktia. Western diplomatic sources said this week that the regime had reached a compromise on the issue after several similar strikes in past few months.

The tribesmen hailing from Paktia Province were exempted from conscription during exiled King Tahir Shah's time. But the current Afghan regime, concerned over large-scale defections, modified the rules -- making it compulsory for Jaji tribesmen living outside Paktia Province to join army service. This caused unrest among people residing in Kabul, it said. Jajis want their men living outside their hometown also to be exempted.

'COUNTERREVOLUTIONARIES CRUSHED' IN SAMANGAN

LD162318 Kabul Domestice Service in Dari 1600 GMT 16 Dec 82

[Text] A group of counterrevolutionary elements who had been disrupting the peaceful life of the toiling people of (Kojker) village of Aybak City, Samangan Province, have recently been crushed by the officers and men of this province's operational battalion. Assorted weapons and a large number of bullets were seized from these criminals.

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DOST HOME FROM OPENING CONSULATE IN TASHKENT

LD230740 Kabul BAKHTAR in English 0417 GMT 23 Dec 82

[Text] Kabul, Dec. 22, BAKHTAR -- Shah Mohammad Dost, minister of foreign affairs of the DRA, returned home from the Soviet Union today.

He had gone to Tashkent at the head of a delegation to open the DRA General Consulate in the capital of Soviet Uzbekistan.

OFFICIAL CRITICIZES PAKISTAN'S ROLE IN WAR

LD221048 Kabul BAKHTAR in English 0448 GMT 22 Dec 82

[Text] Kabul, Dec. 21, BAKHTAR -- "Undeclared war is a form of invasion in which regular groups and armed mercenaries are despatched by a state or in its name in order to carry out armed operations against another state." This was stated by Mohammed Salim Majas, deputy minister of justice, in an interview with [word indistinct] correspondent.

He added that the war which is being waged by [word indistinct] imperialist circles headed by U.S. imperialism in collusion with the reactionary circles of the region especially the militarists of Pakistan against the people of Afghanistan is an undeclared war in accordance with the definition of the U.N. organisation. This undeclared war has caused thousands of catastrophes and affected thousands of victims.

Today the people of the world are witnessing the ruthless annihilation, the arousing of schools, mosques, religious places, the destruction of hospitals, bridges and roads in Afghanistan perpetrated by the mercenary bandits exported from across the country especially from Pakistan.

As is shown by the vivid facts and reliable documents, these bands are receiving military training and are being armed in over 80 military camps in Pakistan. The imperialist and reactionary circles have embarked upon large-scale misleading propaganda and the launching of counter-revolutionary activities against the DRA. The Pakistani experts and the trainers of imperialist countries headed by USA and Chinese hegemonists are trying hard in Pakistan to teach and impart the techniques of terrorism and destruction to the hired bands of Afghan counter-revolution and then to arm and send them to the soil of Afghanistan for subversive actions.

Responding to another question, the deputy minister of Justice Ministry said that today's Pakistan has changed to a centre of instigations against the revolution of Afghanistan. We were and are desirous of the peaceful solution of the situation around Afghanistan with the neighboring countries, and want to see that the Governments of Pakistan and Iran take steps regarding the peaceful solution in accord with reasonable and principled proposals set out by the DRA in this connection. But it should be said with regret that today the military regime of Pakistan has become a tool at the hand of U.S. imperialism and therefore the imperialism in collusion with the Chinese hegemonism see their interests in the continuation of war and fratricide in Afghanistan. The militarists of Pakistan were and are incapable of becoming prepared on their own for discussion for the peaceful solution of the issues around Afghanistan.

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KARMAL, KESHTMAND RETURN FROM USSR 26 DECEMBER

LD270002 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 26 Dec 82

[Excerpt] Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the PDPA Central Committee and president of the DRA Revolutionary Council, and Soltan 'Ali Keshtmand, member of the PDPA Central Committee Politburo and chairman of the DRA Council of Ministers, after taking part in the 60th founding anniversary of the USSR, returned to Kabul this morning. They had gone to the Soviet Union at the invitation of the CPSU Central Committee, the USSR Supreme Soviet and the USSR Council of Ministers.

The aircraft carrying Babrak Karmal and Soltan 'Ali Keshtmand landed at 1155 at Kabul International Airport and a number of pioneers welcomed them with bunches of flowers. They also were welcomed by Politburo members, secretaries of the PDPA Central Committee, deputy presidents of the Revolutionary Council and of the Revolutionary Council Presidium, the ministers of foreign affairs and transportation, and the charge d'affaires of the Soviet Embassy in Kabul.

RESISTANCE TO STEP UP BOMBING CAMPAIGN IN KABUL

BK250636 Hong Kong AFP in English 1528 GMT 24 Dec 82

[Text] Islamabad, Dec. 24 (AFP) -- The Afghan resistance will step up its bombing campaign against government targets in the country's capital, Kabul, the chairman of the fundamentalist mujahadeen alliance Abd ar-Rasul Sayyaf claimed here Sunday.

Official reports said about 40 people died in a series of bombings over the last month in Kabul.

Mr. Sayyaf refused to say whetner the resistance was planning a spectacular action for December 27, the third anniversary of the entry of Soviet troops into Afghanistan. He rejected any political solution to the conflict and said his movement's "holy war" would continue until an Islamic government was in place in Kabul. He added that even if agreement was reached between Afghan authorities and Pakistan for the return of refugees and the banning of political activity by resistance groups in Pakistan, the mujahadeen would continue the fight on Afghan soil.

Mr. Sayyaf rejected an alliance with the other, more moderate resistance groups, whose leaders, he said, "represent only themselves." He admitted there had been fighting recently between different factions of the resistance, but that good relations were now reestablished.

MINISTRY OFFICIAL CITES 'BETTER SECURITY'

LD231556 Kabul BAKHTAR in English 0429 GMT 22 Dec 82

[Text] Kabul, Dec 22, BAKHTAR -- Better security prevails today all over Afghanistan and the ground is paved for peaceful living conditions every day due to the revolutionary efforts and vigilance of the security forces and the Army of the DRA with honest cooperation of the noble people of Afghanistan, said Mohammad Faruq, general president of political affairs of the Interior Ministry to BIA correspondent.

He said that our police force is fully staffed and equipped with the most up to date weapons and other combat equipments.

Faruq added that in Badakhshan, Laghman, Nangarhar, Kandahar, Herat, Kunduz and Faryab Provinces considerable victories have been achieved in crushing the counterrevolutionaries.

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